IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the office action of December 8, 2000, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add as the last page the Abstract submitted herewith on a separate sheet of paper.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 18 (amended) A method of treating a cancer selected from the group consisting of leukemia, colon cancer, lung cancer, prostate cancer and breast cancer in warm-blooded animals comprising administering to warm-blooded animals in need thereof a camptothecin dnaleg with a 7-ring member ß-hydroxy lactone ring of the formula

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